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1. UNDER THE HEADLINE, "BRZEZINSKI SAYS THE U.S. WILL SEND MOBILE ATTACK UNITS IN A KOREAN EMERGENCY: A NEW U.S. ASIAN POLICY", DONG-A ILBO REPRISSES THE "NEW" POLICY ENUNCIATED IN ZB'S APR. 27 SPEECH BEFORE JAPAN COUNCIL: 1) TROOP WITHDRAWAL TO BE DEALT WITH "PRUDENTLY", WITH A MOBILE STRIKE FORCE KEPT READY FOR INTERVENTION IN KOREA; 2) U.S. WILL REMAIN A STRONG MILITARY POWER IN THE PACIFIC; 3) U.S. WILL WORK TO STRENGTHEN COOPERATIVE TIES WITH JAPAN; 4) U.S. WILL EXPAND ITS RELATIONS WITH THE PRC; 5) THE U.S. ROLE IN THE ASIA/PACIFIC AREA WILL BE AN INCREASING ONE. VERBATIM TEXT IS CARRIED IN DONG-A ILBO, WHILE ALL PAPERS OFFER ANALYSES EMPHASIZING BRZEZINSKI'S PROMISE TO MANAGE THE WITHDRAWAL WITHOUT ENDANGERING THE ROK'S DEFENSE CAPABILITY
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AS WELL AS HIS STATEMENTS THAT THE U.S. IS CURRENTLY TRAINING A 100,000 MAN REACTION FORCE AND THAT THE LONG-TERM TREND OF U.S. POWER IN ASIA IS AN INCREASING ONE.

2. BRZEZINSKI'S ASIAN TRIP: INITIAL FOREBODING SEEM TO HAVE PASSED. THERE ARE MERELY SOME EDITORIAL HOPES EXPRESSED THAT THE U.S. SIDE WILL "CONSULT FULLY"

WITH THE ROKG, "SO THAT ZB MAY GO TO CHINA WITH FULL
AND COMPLETE UNDERSTANDING OF OUR POSITION" (DONG-A ILBO).

3. OTHER NEWS: ALL PAPERS REPORT TONGSUN PARK'S
EXPECTED RETURN TO THE U.S. FOR FURTHER TESTIMONY, GEN.
SINGLAUB'S CURRENT PREDICAMENT, AND EXIMBANK'S APPROVAL
OF \$960 MILLION IN LOANS FOR KORI 5&6 NUCLEAR REACTORS.
EXIMBANK ITEM IS FRONTPAGED, OTHERS ARE GIVEN MINOR
TREATMENT.
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